



File Code: 2450

Date: August 12, 2015

Subject: LC Liberty Hill Stewardship FT Bidder Letter

Dear Prospective Bidder:

By September 10, 2015 at 04:30 PM, sealed offers along with accompanying technical proposals will be accepted at the Long Cane Ranger District Office, Attn: Contracting Officer, 810 Buncombe Street Edgefield, SC 29824 for the LC Liberty Hill Stewardship FT Contract. The FS-2400-13T contract will be used. The termination date for this contract is June 30th, 2018. This contract is located in Edgefield and McCormick Counties, approximately 8 miles west of Plum Branch, South Carolina on the Long Cane Ranger District of the Sumter National Forest. Access is via Hwy 283, and Hwy 23. The sale is located in Compartments 270, 271, 272, 273, 279, 307 and 309.

The total estimated quantity on this sale is 27515 Tons of Non-Saw material. The Forest Service encourages potential bidders to make their own inspection and estimate prior to bid submission. The Forest Service makes no representation, warranty, or guarantee of the accuracy of the following quantity estimates:

Estimated Timber Quantities and Minimum Rates per Unit of Measure

Timber Bid Information:				Rates Per Unit of Measure
Species	Product	Unit of Measure	Estimated Quantity	Minimum Acceptable Rate
So. Yellow Pine	Sawtimber	Ton	Un-estimated	\$15.33
Softwood - Other	Non-Saw	Ton	27515	\$7.90

In addition to the timber removal component of this contract, there are two mandatory stewardship project work items included in this contract. Your price proposal must include a bid price for both stewardship project work items. As this work is completed and accepted, stewardship credits will be applied to the integrated resource account.



Stewardship Project Information

Project Number (a)	Project Description (b)	Unit of Measure (c)	Estimated Quantity (d)
<u>Mandatory Stewardship Projects</u>			
M1	Powerline Restoration	Acres	13
M2	W/L opening Restoration	Acres	12
M3	Gate Installation	Each	5

Bids will be evaluated on a best value basis and bidders must submit a technical proposal describing how stewardship projects will be completed. Upon execution of the contract, all elements of the technical proposal accepted by Forest Service become a binding part of the contract. A unit rate bid for each timber product is required as well as the per unit rate for completing each stewardship project. Offers will not be publicly opened or disclosed. The Forest Service reserves the right to reject any and all offers.

If you wish further information about this contract, such as Contract Area Maps, Prospectus, Bid Form, Past Performance Questionnaire, and Technical Proposal Form please visit our website: <http://www.fs.usda.gov/goto/scnfs/sumtertimbersales> or call Steve Wilhelm at the Long Cane District Ranger's office in Edgefield, SC at (803) 637-0249, or by email at swilhelm@fs.fed.us.

Sincerely,



LARRY WESTCOTT CF
Forester/Timber Sale Contracting Officer